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YOKOHAMA SPECIE BANK, LIMITED.

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HONGKONG BRANCH—INTEREST ALLOWED
(in Current Account) at the rate of 2 per cent
per Annum on the Daily Balance.

On fixed deposits for 12 months at 5 per cent
" " " 4 "
" " " 3 "

TARO HODSUMI,
Manager.

Hongkong, 11th March, 1904. [2]

HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

PAID-UP CAPITAL \$10,000,000.

RESERVE FUND \$10,000,000.

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per Annum on the daily balance.

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For 3 months, 3% per Cent. per Annum.

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J. R. M. SMITH,

Chief Manager.

Hongkong, 29th February, 1904. [22]

HONGKONG SAVINGS BANK.

THE Business of the above Bank is conducted

by the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI
BANKING CORPORATION. Rules may be

obtained on application.

INTEREST on deposits is allowed at 3% per
cent. per annum.

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For the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI
BANKING CORPORATION,

J. R. M. SMITH,

Chief Manager.

Hongkong, 1st May, 1902. [23]

THE NATIONAL BANK OF CHINA, LIMITED.

Authorised Capital £1,000,000

Paid up Capital £324,374

HEAD OFFICE—HONGKONG.

Board of Directors:

Chan Kit Shan, Esq. J. Focke, Esq.

Cresay Ewens, Esq. G. C. Moxon, Esq.

Chief Manager,

GEO. W. F. PLAYFAIR.

Interest for 12 months Fixed 5%
Hongkong, 4th February, 1904. [24]

THE DEUTSCH ASIATISCHE BANK.

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HEAD OFFICE—SHANGHAI.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS: BERLIN.

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UNION OF LONDON AND SMITH'S BANK, LTD.

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DEPOSITS received on terms which may be

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Banking and Exchange business transacted.

H. SUTER,

Sub-Manager.

Hongkong, 31st March, 1904. [25]

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Hongkong, 2nd April, 1904. [26]

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GOLD \$10,000,000—£2,055,000.

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BANKERS:

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UNION OF LONDON AND SMITH'S BANK, LTD.

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COMPTOIR NATIONAL D'ESCOMpte

DE PARIS, &c.

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Application.

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CHARLES R. SCOTT,

Manager.

Hongkong, 14th December, 1903. [19]

IMPERIAL BANK OF CHINA.

ESTABLISHED BY IMPERIAL DECREE

OF THE 13TH NOVEMBER, 1896.

Shanghai Taels.

SUBSCRIBED CAPITAL 5,000,000

PAID-UP CAPITAL 2,500,000

HEAD OFFICE—SHANGHAI.

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CHEFOO. SINGAPORE.

HANKOW. TIENTSIN.

PEKING.

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HONGKONG BRANCH:

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Bills discounted.

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3% per Annum Fixed Deposits for 3 months.

4% " " 6 " 31 "

5% " " 12 " "

E. W. RUTTER,

Manager.

Hongkong, 12th August, 1903. [20]

THE CHARTERED BANK OF INDIA, AUSTRALIA AND CHINA.

INCORPORATED BY ROYAL CHARTER, 1853

HEAD OFFICE—LONDON.

CAPITAL PAID-UP £800,000

RESERVE LIABILITY OF SHARE-

HOLDERS £800,000

RESERVE FUND £725,000

INTEREST ALLOWED ON CURRENT

ACCOUNT at the rate of 2 per cent. per

annum on the Daily Balances.

On Fixed Deposits for 12 months, 4% per cent.

" " 6 " 31 "

T. P. COCHRANE,

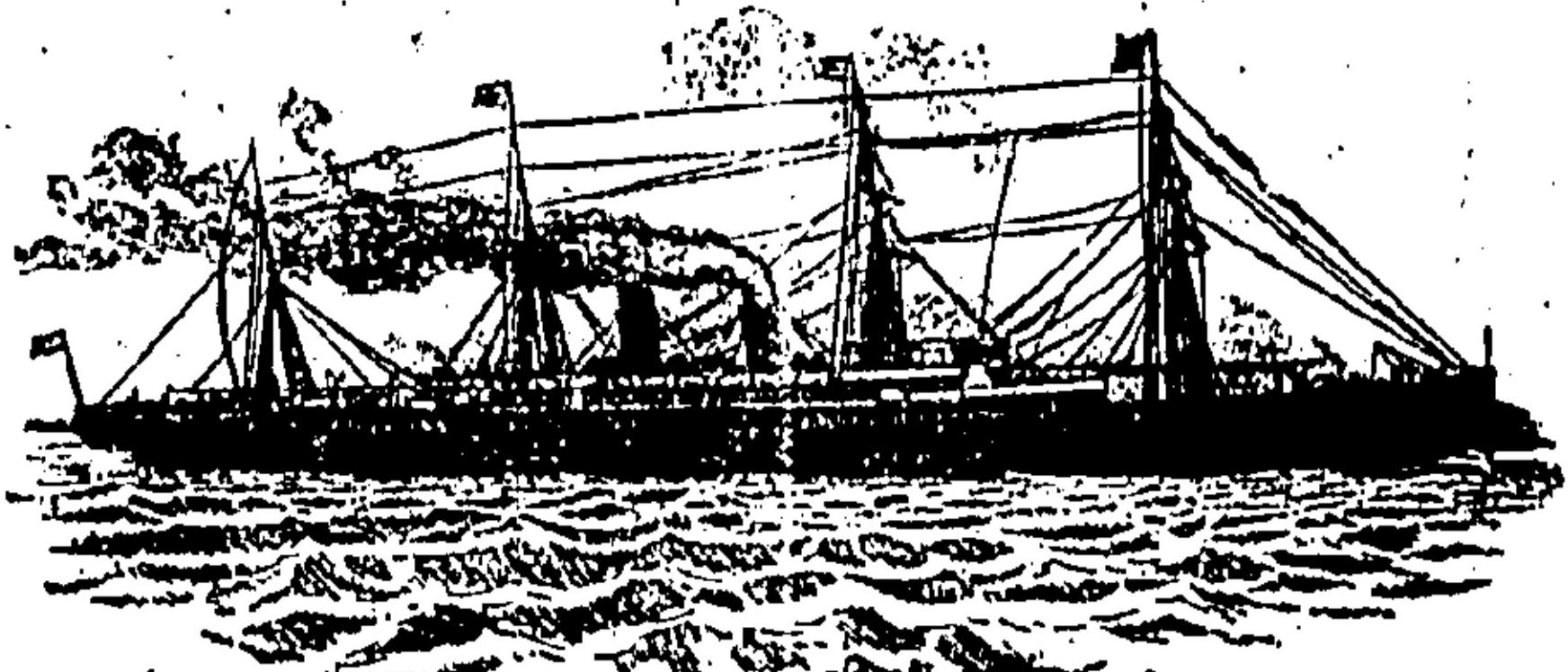
Manager.

Hongkong, 24th December, 1903. [21]

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"DORIO"	4,784 "	SATURDAY, 16th April, at Noon.
"SIBERIA"	11,284 "	SATURDAY, 30th April, at Noon.
"COPTIC"	4,352 "	THURSDAY, 12th May, at Noon.
"KOREA"	11,276 "	TUESDAY, 29th May, at Noon.
"GAELIC"	4,205 "	SATURDAY, 4th June, at Noon.
"MONGOLIA"	"	THURSDAY, 16th June, at Noon.

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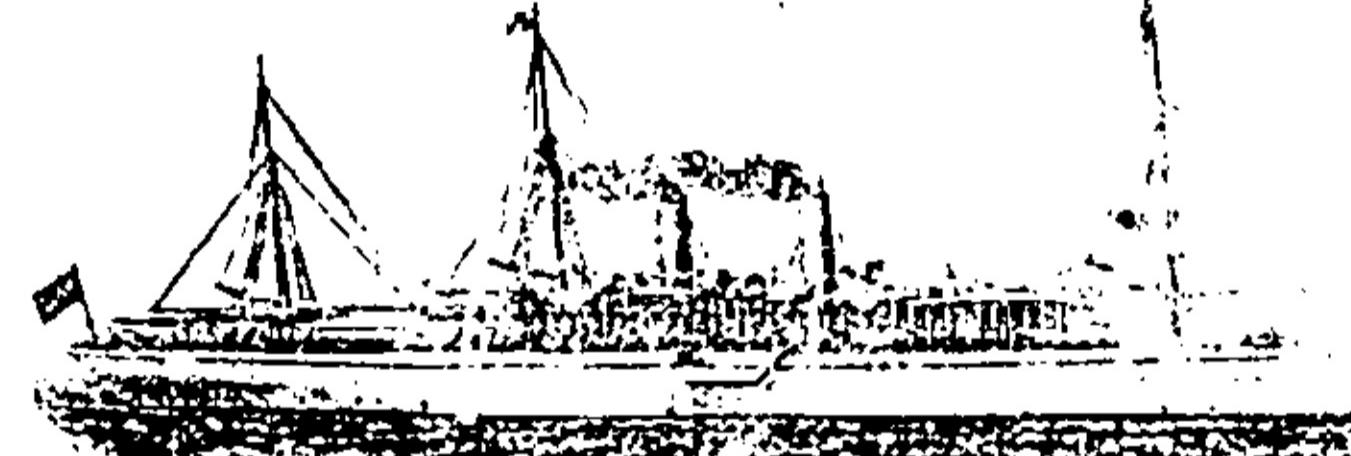
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"EMPERESS OF JAPAN" ... 6,000 " WEDNESDAY, 11th May.

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D. E. BROWN, General Agent,
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Hongkong, 30th March, 1904.

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OSTASIATISCHER FRAUDTDAMPFER DIENST.

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SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

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BRISGAVIA.	HAMBURG.	12th April.	Freight.
Schilke	(Calling at SINGAPORE and COLOMBO)		
SUEVIA.	HAVRE and HAMBURG.	25th April.	Freight.
von Döhren	(Calling at SINGAPORE and PENANG)		
ARTEMISIA	HAVRE and HAMBURG.	3rd May.	Freight.
Gronemeyer	(Calling at SINGAPORE and COLOMBO)		
MARBURG	HAVRE and HAMBURG.	17th May.	Freight.
Stern	(Calling at SINGAPORE and PENANG)		
STRASSBURG	HAVRE and HAMBURG.	31st May.	Freight and Passengers.
Madsen	(Calling at SINGAPORE and COLOMBO)		

For further particulars, apply to

HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE,
HONGKONG OFFICE.

No. 9, Queen's Building.

Hongkong, 4th April, 1904.

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GO TO THE

KOWLOON HOTEL,
KOWLOON. J. W. OSBORNE,
Proprietor and Manager.

Shipping—Steamers.

HONGKONG, CANTON, MACAO AND
WEST RIVER STEAMERS.JOINT SERVICE OF THE HONGKONG, CANTON AND MACAO
STEAMBOAT CO., LTD., AND THE CHINA NAVIGATION
COMPANY, LTD.

HONGKONG-CANTON LINE.

S.S. "HONAM,"	2,363 tons,.....	Captain R. D. Thomas.
" " POWAN,"	2,338 "	G. F. Morrison, R.N.R.
" " FATSCHAN,"	2,200 "	W. A. Valentine.
" " HANKOW,"	3,073 "	C. V. Lloyd.
" " KINSHAN,"	2,800 "	J. J. Lossius.

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S.S. "HEUNGSHAN,"	1,998 tons,.....	Captain H. D. Jones.
" " NANNING,"	569 "	C. Butchart.

Departures from Hongkong to Macao on week days at about 2 P.M.

During the summer months the time of leaving fluctuates to suit the tide at Macao. For further particulars see special time table.

Departures on Sundays at 12.30 P.M.

Departures from Macao to Hongkong daily at 7.30 A.M.

CANTON-MACAO LINE.

S.S. "LUNGSHAN,"	219 tons,.....	Captain T. Hamlin.
" " NANNING,"	569 "	C. Butchart.

This steamer leaves Canton for Macao every Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday at about 7.30 A.M.; and leaves Macao for Canton every Monday, Wednesday and Friday at about 7.30 A.M.

JOINT SERVICE OF THE H.K., C. AND MACAO STEAMBOAT CO., LTD., THE CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LTD., AND THE Indo-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LTD.

CANTON-WUCHOW LINE.

S.S. "SAINAM,"	588 tons,.....	Captain B. Branch.
" " NANNING,"	569 "	C. Butchart.

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18, Bank Buildings, Queen's Road Central, opposite the Hongkong Hotel,

Or of BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,

Agents, CHINA NAVIGATION CO., LTD.

Hongkong, 2nd April, 1904. [13]

HEAD AGENT: R. BISSCHOP,

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Hongkong, 6th November, 1904. [14]

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MANUFACTURING CHEMISTS.

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CABLE ADDRESS: "ACHEE," HONGKONG.
A. S. CO. CODE, 4TH EDITION

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PASTEUR'S MICROBE-PROOF
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Registered by the Pharmaceutical Society.

Hongkong, 2nd April, 1904.

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The Hongkong Telegraph

HONGKONG, MONDAY, APRIL 4, 1904.

THE JAPANESE ARMY.

The admirable organisation, coolness and assurance with which the Japanese fleet has already set to work, and the manner in which its officers have brought science to bear upon problems in naval warfare, where mere bravery and dash, without careful judgement, are of no avail, make it interesting to look into this nation's methods of training her officers. Those, who in all the excitement of a night attack against large odds, can coolly select their victims, and bring them raid through almost the greatest possible advantage, must possess methods which are particularly sound.

The Japanese naval officer enters the service between the ages of sixteen and twenty. He is trained as a cadet in the college at Yatayama, and he must, before becoming eligible for the navy, pass a physical as well as an educational test. For a healthy brain usually accompanies a healthy body. As midshipmen, these young officers first go to the special training ships, where theory gives place to practice, and then go to the ships of the fleet, where practice gives place to application. The training ships consist of three vessels of over four thousand tons, equipped with an armament thoroughly up to date. They cruise in a small fleet under a rear-admiral, mostly in home waters. In the succeeding steps, of lieutenant and sublieutenant, the officers pass through theoretical and practical courses in succession; the main object of their theory being always to develop the intelligence and cultivate resource. The Higher Naval College, at Tokio, is arranged in four standards, the first being an introduction to higher military subjects and lasting for two years; it is given to specially selected officers. The second course is a finishing to the training in special subjects, such as gunnery, torpedo and navigation. The third course is for captains and commanders mainly, while the fourth deals with the latest naval tactics and strategy. We may here note that Japan goes in for more actual education than our own country. Knowledge is power, and with present rapidly changing methods and improvements, it is difficult to say whether sufficient knowledge can be imparted in the shorter college training which our own officers receive. At any rate, the Japanese officers have shown themselves to be thoroughly capable in practical details, and doubtless this is, in a great measure, due to the personnel. We look back with pride upon our old seafaring stock—gentlemen-adventurers, pirates as many of them were—of the days of Drake and Raleigh. We trace the same qualities of daring and courage through the times of Nelson, and we rely on that spirit to support us in our hour of need. The Japanese have very similar records, if one may look back to the eleventh and twelfth centuries, when, as the Vikings of the East, they roamed the Chinese main, ravaging the coasts of the Celestial Empire until the reign of Emperor Hideyoshi, when it was deemed a better policy to cease communication with the outer world, and fishing junks took the place of pirate vessels. It would now seem that the old pirate spirit has been awakened. The love of adventure and excitement, the dash and resource, the tenacity and strength of purpose of the rover have been coupled with a nineteenth century knowledge of higher mechanics, gunnery and navigation, and they have prevailed.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

THE transport *Dilwara* arrived at Southampton on 2nd March, from Hongkong.

THE *Gazette* announces that Assistant Paymaster A. P. Hughes has been specially promoted to the rank of Paymaster in His Majesty's Fleet for services in North China, 1900.

INSTRUCTIONS have been given for the armoured shadow-draught steamers, *Morhen*, *Teal*, and *Snipe*, serving on the China Station, to be recommissioned, with new crews, for a further term of service in the Far East.

THE *U.S. Naval Gazette* bears that a certain Chinese and a Japanese merchant are about to start a newspaper at Chin Kiang with a capital of \$3,000, which has already been subscribed. It will be a weekly paper.

M. W. Cowan, the local Protector of Chinese, has, we hear, been offered and accepted an appointment as Adj't General for South Africa at Hertford for the purpose of recruiting labour. We congratulate Mr. Cowan on his selection, and he will be another decided loss to Perak.—*Perak Pioneer*.

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TELEGRAMS.

(Reuters.)

The War.

LONDON, 1st April.
The Russian Commissariat is sending no food stuffs to Manchuria, but is relying entirely on the plentiful local supplies of cattle and grain which have been accumulating at Harbin.

Internal Trouble in Korea.

The unruly elements in Korea are giving trouble, and the country is not safe outside the Japanese lines.

German Mail Disabled at Aden.

The P. & O. str. *Marmora* takes in the passengers of the *Oldenburg* which is disabled at Aden.

Fighting in Thibet,

Reuter's correspondent at Tuna wires that the Thibetans asked the British Mission to retire, which Col. Younghusband refused to do, and two engagements were fought, in which the Thibetans suffered most severely, their dead lying in heaps. The Thibetans eventually fled to the hills but a small force of 50 or 60 men, obstinately held their camp at Gurn, which was, finally, gallantly captured by the mounted Infantry and Chooarkas.

The *Times* correspondent at Fuma says it is significant that three of Thibetan generals' escorts were armed with rifles bearing the Russian Imperial Stamp.

and April.

An official report says that the Tibetans lost 300 killed, many wounded and 200 prisoners were taken in the recent fight. The British loss was 9 wounded.

The newspapers hope that this sharp lesson to the Tibetans will render further bloodshed unnecessary.

The Antarctic Expedition.

All the three antarctic vessels, the *Discovery*, *Morning*, and *Terra Nova*, have arrived at Lyttleton. The *Morning* and the *Terra Nova* reached the *Discovery* on the 14th February, finding all well on board. The *Discovery* explorers continued their scientific work throughout the winter of 1903, and the spring found them all in excellent health and spirits. They ascertained that the interior of Victoria land is continuous at a height of 9,000 feet, and is evidently a vast continental plateau.

Arrival of the Crews of the "Variaq" and "Koreetz" in Russia.

The crews of the *Variaq* and *Koreetz* have arrived at Odessa, receiving a triumphal reception.

China's Neutrality.

The Chinese Legation at St. Petersburg declares that China is sincerely and firmly resolved to observe neutrality, from which resolve she will only depart in the event of the violation of Chinese territory by the Russians or Japanese.

(From the North China Daily News.)

The Alliance Between Japan and Corea.

Tokio, 28th March.
Yi Chi-young, who signed the recent alliance protocol, has been appointed special envoy to Japan, and starts from Seoul shortly.

Russian Preparations at Newchwang.

Tokio, 28th March.
Russian forts containing thirteen guns, and three signalling stations have been completed on the left bank of the river Liao.

Newchwang, 28th March.
Martial law has been proclaimed, beans and beancakes are declared contraband, and shippers to neutral ports must deposit the money value of the cargo as security against transhipment to Japan or Corea.—

A Hitch in the Financial Programme.

Tokio, 28th March.
In reference to the Bill, securing to the Hypothec Bank the right to issue debentures, a hitch has occurred, owing to its rejection by the committee of the House of Peers.

The Government is endeavouring to have it restored, and there will be a formal debate in the House of Peers to-morrow.

Swapping.

Arrivals.

Kaifong, Br. s.s., 1,024, G. H. Pennefather, 2nd April.—Manila 30th Mar., Gen.—B. & S.
Kumsang, Br. s.s., 2,077, E. J. Buller, 2nd April.—Saigon 30th Mar., Rice.—J. M. & Co.
Hoiho, Fr. s.s., 509, Gaste, 2nd April.—Haiphong 20th Mar., and Hoihow 1st April.—A. R. M.
Lyemoon, Ger. s.s., 1,238, Th. Lehmann, 2nd April.—Kohschang 30th Mar., Gen.—S. & Co.
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Fooy, Br. s.s., 2,603, Page, 3rd April.—Kutchinotch 27th Mar., Coal.—M. H. K.
Hangang, Br. s.s., 1,356, S. Wilde, 3rd April.—Calcutta 12th Mar., Penang and Singapore 28th Gen.—J. M. & Co.
Pundu, Br. s.s., 2,126, C. Willis, 3rd April.—Calcutta via Straits 11th Mar., Gen.—J. M. & Co.
Brunhilde, Ger. s.s., 1,450, Selck, 3rd April.—Samrang 23rd Mar., Sugar.—Order.
Annam, Fr. s.s., 2,238, Girard, 4th April.—Marselles 6th Mar., and Saigon 1st April, Mails and Gen.—M. M.
Zafiro, Br. s.s., 1,611, Rodger, 4th April.—Manila 1st April, Gen.—S. T. & Co.
Tungshing, Br. s.s., 1,173, T. W. Selby, 4th April.—Shanghai 31st Mar., Gen.—J. M. & Co.
Wuchang, Br. s.s., 801, Finlayson, 4th April.—Iloilo 31st Mar., Gen.—B. & S.

Departures.

April 3.
Abysinia, for Hamburg.
Loyal, for Kobe.

First Bismarck, Ger. flagship, for Kiautschou.

Hertha, Ger. cruiser, for Kiautschou.

Meffor, for Shanghai.

Lyemoon, for Canton.

Passengers arrived.

Per Pundu, from Singapore—Mr. Martin, and 776 Chinese.

Per Petchaburi, from Kohschang — Mr. Blaick, and 27 Chinese.

Per Lyemoon, from Shanghai — Mr. S. Jebson, and 92 Chinese.

Per Wuchang, from Iloilo—Messrs. King, Simpson and Thompson.

Per Hangang, from Calcutta, &c.—278 Chinese, 16 Japanese, and 16 Indians.

Per Tungshing, from Shanghai—Mrs. Jones, Miss Brown, Masters Simsons (2), and 20 Chinese.

Per Pitsanulok, from Bangkok—Dr. Ehrlick, Mr. Richardson, and Schelvay, 40 Chinese, 2 Japanese.

Per Kafong, from Manila—Mr. J. M. Edgar, Capt. J. H. Russell, Messrs. W. Thompson, R. Flores, R. J. McLaughlin, Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Guerin, Misses A. P. Klein, A. B. Pearson, Mrs. P. J. Perrine, Mrs. J. F. Smith, Miss Lucia Perez, Messrs. W. M. Carruth, C. H. Oldford, Bryan Bradley, Seth P. Mobley, T. Tolandano, W. Peteron, E. H. Cone, J. E. Griffiths, F. Luchsinger, Louis McCall, J. B. Leibson, F. C. Beebe, W. E. Buling, W. T. Page, H. S. Dye, Colonel D. J. Baker, Mrs. Ralph Page, Mr. W. S. Bailey, 56 Chinese, and 3 Japanese.

Per Zafiro, from Manila—Mrs. A. S. Bagnall, Miss M. Bagnall, Messrs. Stowell, T. E. San, Edwin S. Kerr, S. S. Johnson, Mrs. Guislain, Miss Guislain, Mrs. B. E. Harris, Mrs. Isabel Tangap and child, Mrs. Shields, Mrs. Ultmann, and 3 children, Messrs. Wm. Burt, M. G. Eastman, Shane, Miss E. Donaldson, Mrs. Brown, Messrs. C. Georg, S. N. Sen, Mrs. Cho Jong, Messrs. Sandall, D. Dolliver, Ludwig Ilse, W. R. Rosenkranz, L. H. A. Wiley, U.S.N., Mr. Leon Guislain, Masters Guislain (2), Miss Williams, Mrs. C. Peralta and child, Messrs. Grant, Emmanuel Ultmann, A. C. Dunlap, W. N. Bish, Mrs. Ol Chi, Miss Clara R. Donaldson, Mr. K. Brown, Mr. M. G. Sat, Mr. Chu Tek Hee, Mrs. Cho Pang Shi and 2 children, Mr. Chan Sik and 1 child, and 42 Chinese.

Passengers departed.

Per Tremont, for Japan and Tacoma, Wash.

Mrs. G. E. Jenkins, Mrs. F. Henley, Mrs. McNeilly, Mr. and Mrs. Allen, Mrs. G. B. Hart, Mrs. M. Twombly, Mrs. Stein and 2 children, Rev. and Mrs. Jansen and child, Mrs. McKay and children, Mr. and Mrs. Guy Clinton, Miss Lucy P. Nelson, Mrs. E. M. Libeaud, Mrs. Kent, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Eckley, Mr. and Mrs. Wong How and 3 children, Messrs. J. B. Suttor, E. J. Leibau, R. Viiegelmann, J. D. Gilligan, M. Bartisch, F. W. Turner, M. M. Goldsmith, S. A. Cobean, Manu elia Infanta, F. W. Rose, C. H. Hope, L. B. Cocks, F. Lewis, Chas. Wax, R. B. Sherman, and servant, Captain D. H. Ward, Mr. J. F. McCann, 10 European steerage, 80 Muros, 15 Japanese, and 24 Chinese.

Shipping Report.

Str. Hangang from Calcutta:—There to

Singapore light variable winds, and fine weather, thence to port moderate to fresh N.E.

monsoons; on 1st inst. spoke 4-masted barque

Lyndhurst, of London, Lat. 30° 40' N. Long.

112° 10' E., wished to be reported to Lloyds.

Vessels in Port.

Steamers.

Ardandeary, Br. s.s., 2,090, W. Kinley, 1st April.—Moj 27th Mar., Coal.—B. & Co.
Binandi, Am. s.s., 273, Diego de Aldamir, 27th Mar.—Iloilo 21st Sugar—C. H. O. D. & Co.
Bourbon, Fr. s.s., 997, Antoni, 30th Mar., Rice.—Man Fat.
Carl Diederichsen, Ger. s.s., 774, Schlaikier, 27th Mar.—Haiphong 24th Mar., Gen.—J. & Co.
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Foo Shing, Br. s.s., 1,428, T. Arthur, 27th Mar.—Moj 21st Mar., Coal.—J. M. & Co.
Foyle, Br. s.s., 2,603, Page, 3rd April.—Kutchinotch 27th Mar., Coal.—M. H. K.
Glenfalloch, Br. s.s., 1,414, Bainbridge, 1st April.—Singapore 26th Mar., Gen.—J. & Co.
Hangang, Br. s.s., 1,356, S. Wilde, 3rd April.—Calcutta 12th Mar., Penang and Singapore 28th Gen.—J. M. & Co.
Istana, Br. s.s., 3,363, C. R. Kendall, 2nd April.—Moj 27th Mar., Coal.—J. M. & Co.
Jacob Diederichsen, Ger. s.s., 623, B. Ohlsen, 21st Mar.—Moj 25th Mar., Coal.—O. S. K.
Kohschang, Ger. s.s., 1,209, Spiesen, 29th Mar.—Bangkok 10th Mar., and Swatow 31st Mar., Gen.—D. L. & Co.
Madeleine Rickmers, Ger. s.s., 1,020, Sanders, 29th Mar.—Bangkok 23rd Mar., Rice, B. & S.
Mausang, Br. s.s., 1,644, S. J. Payne, 25th Mar.—Sandakan 19th Mar., Timber and Gen.—J. M. & Co.
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SAILING VESSELS.

Algoa Bay, Br. br., 1,111, Title, 4th Mar.—Hongay 15th Feb., Coal.—B. & S.
Arrow, Br. 4-masted br., 2,971, McDonald, 17th Mar.—from New York, Kerosine Oil—S. O. Co.
Vale of Doon, Sarawak br., 669, Wesemeier, 24th Mar.—Rajang, N.W. Borneo 18th Feb., Timber.—S. W. & Co.

Steamers Expected.

Vessels	From	Agents	Due
Doric	Manila	P. M. Co.	April 5
Artemisia	Singapore	H. A. L.	April 5
Tijimabi	Moj	C. J. L.	April 6
Atenian	Japan	C. P. R. Co.	April 7
Fornosa	Singapore	P. & O. Co.	April 10
Asturias	Portland	P. Darwin	April 10
Intravelli	Portland	P. & A. Co.	April 13
Asiatic	San Francisco	P. & A. Co.	April 17
Siberia	San Francisco	P. M. Co.	April 17
Taritar	Vancouver	C. P. R. Co.	April 22

Ships Passed The Canal.

Hanoi at Kowloon Dock.
Lin Tan " " "
H.I.G.M.S. Moewe " " "
Mercedes " " "
Tak Hing " " "
H.M.S. Otter " Cosmopolitan "
Borg " Aberdeen "
Bred " " "

Outward—4th March—Artemisia, Ophack, Benlavas, Evandale, Cragswald, 8th March—Heinrich, Formosa, Jeetjee, Prins Jason, Sikk, 12th March—Achilles, Louis Traders, Marquis Bacquehem, Arabia, 16th March—Standard, Armenia, St. Meridian, Kelvin, Maria, Kilda, 18th March—Voronjei, Brest, 2nd March—Hyson, Oldenburg, Ness, Dornoch, Orange, Palermo, Thysa, 25th March—Strasburg, Arragon, Palma, Salvete, 30th March—Aragon, Benmohr, C. Ferd. Laeiss, Angkor, Siemreap.

Homeward—4th March—Hudson, 16th March—Glenfield, 8th March—Asia, Kin-tuck, Alcinos, 30th March—Rodmohire, Madus, Seydlitz.

Arrivals at Home—4th March—Yangtze, Glenay, Pyrrhus, 7th March—Japan, 8th March—Glenfar, Georgian Prince, 12th March—Ernest Simons, Sachsen, 16th March—Ambla, Himmer, Princesse Marie, 18th March—Lowther Castle, Syria, Vindobona, Marie Valeria, 22nd March—Yarra, Nestor, 23rd March—Gera, Nubla, 30th March—Longbighire, Glenloch, Wurzburg.

TO-DAY'S OFFICE.

A Mail will close for:

Europe, &c., India, via Tuticorin—Per Armand Behic, 5th April, 11 A.M.
Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Yokohama, Honolulu and San Francisco—Per China, 5th April, 11 A.M.
Straits and Rangoon—Per Pundua, 6th April, 11 A.M.
Singapore, Penang and Calcutta—Per Lightening, 6th April, 2 P.M.
Manila—Per Kafong, 6th April, 3 P.M.
Yokohama and Kobe—Per Artemisia, 7th April, 11 A.M.
Singapore, Penang and Bombay—Per Capri, 13th April, 11 A.M.
Europe, &c., India, via Tuticorin—Per Hongkong, 13th April, 11 A.M.
Manila—Per Rubi, 16th April, 9 A.M.
Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Yokohama, Victoria and Vancouver, B.C.—Per Athenian, 27th April, 11 A.M.

THE WEATHER.

The following report is from Mr. J. I. Plumier, Chief Assistant of the Hongkong Observatory:

On the 4th at 11.42 a.m. the barometer has risen in N.E. Japan and fallen at all other stations.

A shallow, but well marked, depression exists in the Yellow Sea to the Southwest of Kiushiu moving eastward.

Gradients are rather slight on the China Coast and moderate N.E. winds may be expected in the Formosa Channel. Light variable breezes may be expected in the northern part of the China Sea.

Forecast:—Light variable breezes; overcast, misty.

CHINA COAST METEOROLOGICAL REGISTER.

April 4th, 1904, a.m.

Bar. Th. Hu. Wind Wr.

Vladivostock, 7 a.m. — — — — —

Nemuro 6 a.m. 30.00 — NW 4 —

Hakodate 30.13 — SW 4 —

Tokio 30.14 — NE 4 —

Kochi 29.95 — E 2 —

Nagasaki 29.87 — E 2 —

Kagoshima 29.87 — S 6 —

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OUTWARDS.

FROM	STEAMERS	DATE
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"JASON"	On 9th April.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"ACHILLES"	On 10th April.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"ALCINOUS"	On 16th April.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"HYSON"	On 17th April.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"PROMETHEUS"	On 24th April.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"DEUCALION"	On 1st May.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"ULYSSES"	On 7th May.
S.S. "JASON" left Singapore to-day, and is due here on the 9th inst.	"DARDANUS"	On 13th May.

HOMewardS.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
LONDON & ANTWERP	"PAKLING"	On 29th March.
LONDON & ANTWERP	"MACHAON"	On 12th April.
"GENOA, MARSEILLES & L'POOL	"IDIOMEANEUS"	On 14th April.
LONDON & ANTWERP	"TELEMACHUS"	On 26th April.
LONDON & ANTWERP	"JASON"	On 10th May.
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THE PHARMACY, Queen's Road Central, Hongkong, 23rd March, 1904. [222]

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Hongkong, 4th April, 1904. [464]

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Hongkong, 30th March, 1904. [452]

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Hongkong, 30th March, 1904. [453]

FOR YOKOHAMA AND KOBE.

THE Steamship

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Captain Grönemeyer, will be despatched for the above Ports, on THURSDAY, the 7th April, at Noon.

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Hongkong, 30th March, 1904. [449]

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THE LAW OF STORMS.

Further information concerning the weather to be expected while signals are hoisted, and sailing directions, are given in "The Law of Storms in the Eastern Seas."

Y. G. FANG,

Acting Director

Hongkong, 30th March, 1904. [504]

HONGKONG METEOROLOGICAL SIGNALS**A NEW CODE.**

We have received from the Hongkong Observatory a new code of meteorological signals which comes into force at Hongkong on New Year's Day. They are the same as those at present in use at Shanghai, and will be hoisted on the mast beside the time-ball at Kowloon Point for the information of masters of vessels leaving the port. They do not necessarily imply that bad weather is expected. The signals are as follows:

A cone point upwards indicates a typhoon to the North of the Colony.

A cone point upwards and drum below indicates a typhoon to the North-East of the Colony.

A drum indicates a typhoon to the East of the Colony.

A cone point downwards and drum below indicates a typhoon to the South-East of the Colony.

A cone point downwards indicates a typhoon to the South of the Colony.

A cone point downwards and ball below indicates a typhoon to the South-West of the Colony.

A ball indicates a typhoon to the West of the Colony.

Red Signals indicate that the centre is believed to be more than 300 miles away from the Colony.

Black Signals indicate that the centre is believed to be less than 300 miles away from the Colony.

The above signals will, as heretofore, be hoisted only when typhoons exist in such positions or are moving in such directions that information regarding them is considered to be of importance to the Colony or to shipping leaving the harbour.

NIGHT SIGNALS.

Two lanterns hoisted vertically indicate bad weather in the Colony and that the wind is expected to veer.

Two lanterns hoisted horizontally indicate bad weather in the Colony and that the wind is expected to back.

The signals are repeated on the flagstaff of the Godown Company at Kowloon, and also, by day only, at the Harbour Office and on H M's Receiving Ship.

LOCAL STORM-WARNINGS.

The Colony itself is warned of approaching typhoons by means of the Typhoon Gun placed at the foot of the mast, which is fired whenever a strong gale of wind is expected to blow here.

NOTICE BOARDS.

Notice boards are placed at:

Joint Cable Companies' Office,

Ferry Company's Pier, Ice House Street,

Blake Pier,

Post Office,

Harbour Office,

Ferry Company's Pier, Kowloon.

WEATHER-FORECASTS AND STORM-WARNINGS are exhibited on the above boards daily about 11 a.m., and also at other hours, day or night, whenever necessary. Information of importance is also issued by "Express."

THE CHINA COAST METEOROLOGICAL REGISTER is exhibited at the same places daily about noon. It contains observations made at Hongkong and at a number of stations in the Far East, together with Remarks, Weather-forecasts, and Information regarding the existence and movements of typhoons based thereon.

SPECIAL INQUIRIES.

Masters of vessels or their agents may, whenever necessary, call at the Telegraph Company's Office in Connaught Road and send telegrams to the Observatory asking for special information without charge. Such inquiries may also be sent from the Police Station at Kowloon Point which is connected with the Observatory by telephone.

NOTES.

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Hongkong, 30th March, 1904. [449]